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Subject: Julius Rosenberg

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FILE DESCRIPTION

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SUBJECT Julius Rosenberg

FILE NO. 65-15348

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Re: Julius Rosenberg

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1627	4/13/51	NY Teletype to HQ, DE & CG	8		YES	bufile 65-58236-996
1628	4/13/51	NY Teletype to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1003
1629	4/13/51	NY Teletype to HQ & DE	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-999
1630	4/13/51	DE Teletype to NY	1	1		
1631	4/13/51	NY Teletype to HQ re: William Perl	1	1	YES	Process w/m Perl file not Processed at HQ
1632	4/14/51	SA Memo for file - NY	1	1		
1633	4/14/51	SA memo for file - NY	2	2		
1634	4/14/51	NY Teletype to HQ, WFO, AL & CV	3		YES	bufile 65-58236-1009
1635	4/14/51	DE Teletype to HQ & NY	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1011
1636	4/15/51	mm Teletype to HQ & NY	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1019
1637	4/16/51	NY Letter to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1046
1638	4/16/51	NY Teletype to HQ re: William Perl	1	1	YES	Process

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1639	4/16/51	RL Teletype to HQ, NY & PG	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1008
1640	4/16/51	NY Teletype to HQ	5		YES	bufile 65-58236-994
1641	4/16/51	NY Teletype to HQ & DE	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1012
1642	4/16/51	Third party letter to NY; CC of serial 1643	1	1		
1643	4/16/51	Third party letter to NY; see serial 1642 for CC	1	1		
1644	4/17/51	NY Teletype to HQ	4		YES	bufile 65-58236-1005
1645	4/17/51	CV Teletype to HQ & NY	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1017
1646	4/13/51	Letter from Post Office Inspector to NY	1	1		
1647	4/18/51	SAC Letter to NY Telephone Company	1	1		
1648	4/18/51	SAC Letter to NY Telephone Company	1	1		
1649	4/18/51	SAC Letter to NY Telephone Company	1	1		
1650	4/18/51	NY Teletype to HQ	3		YES	bufile 65-58236-1029

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1651	4/17/51	HQ Letter to NY.	1		Yes	
1652	4/18/51	NY Report to HQ re: William Perl	5	5	Yes	Bufile 65-58236-999 Process w/m, Pearl files not processed at HQ
1653	4/19/51	NY Teletype to HQ	1		Yes	Bufile 65-58236-1016
1654	4/19/51	NY Teletype to HQ	1		Yes	Bufile 65-58236-948
1655	4/19/51	NY teletype to HQ re: Third Party	1	1	Yes	Process
1656	4/18/51	PH Letter to HQ	1		Yes	Bufile 65-58236-1018
1657	4/20/51	CG Teletype to HQ & NY	1		Yes	see FBI CORRESP 10-25-78 Bufile 65-58236-1068
1658	4/20/51	NY Letter to HQ	2		Yes	Bufile 65-58236-1030
1659	4/20/51	NY Teletype to HQ	2		Yes	see CORRESP 7/22/78 10-25-78 Bufile 65-58236-1052
1660	4/16/51	Letter From Post Office Postmaster to NY	1	1		
1661	4/16/51	Post Office Postmaster letter to NY	1	1		
1662	4/17/51	SA memo re: William Perl	1	1	Yes	Process

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1663	4/11/51	Third Party letter to HQ	1	1	YES	Process
1664	4/19/51	HQ letter to Third Party	1	1	YES	Process
1665	4/21/51	NY Letter to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1031
1666	4/19/51	LA Report to HQ	4		YES	bufile 65-58236-1059
1667	4/20/51	WFO Report to HQ	4	4	YES	Process
1668	4/21/51	NY letter to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-963
1669	4/21/51	PA letter to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1007
1670	4/23/51	NY Teletype to HQ	3		YES	bufile 65-58236-1032
1671	4/23/51	NY Teletype to HQ	5		YES	Accompert 4-10-20-78 bufile 65-58236-1023
1672		Skipped	1	1		
1673	4/24/50	NY Teletype to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1033
1674	4/24/51	PX letter to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1043

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1675	4/25/51	NY Letter to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1067
1676	4/25/51	NY teletype to HQ	4		YES	bufile 65-58236-1034
1677	4/24/51	WFO Letter to HQ	2		YES	bufile 65-58236-1048
1678	4/26/51	NY Teletype to HQ	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1035
1679	4/26/51	USA Letter to U.S. Marshal	1	1		
1680	4/26/51	ASAC memo for file	1	1		
1681	4/27/51	NY Teletype to HQ e AC	1		YES	bufile 65-58236-1037
1682	4/27/51	NY Teletype to HQ	3		YES	bufile 65-58236-1036
1683	4/23/51	LA Report re: William Perl	7	7	YES	Process
1684	4/30/51	NY Teletype to HQ	4		YES	bufile 65-58236-1049
1685	4/26/51	Resolution of commendation from Catholic war veterans	1	1	YES	Process
1686	4/24/51	Third party letter to NY	1	1		

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1687	4/26/51	NY letter to HQ	1	1	YES	Process
1688	4/26/51	SAC Letter to Third Party	1	1	YES	Process
1688a	3/30/51	Atomic Energy Commission letter to HQ	15		YES	not covered by 10-25-78 buple 65-58236-1049
1688b	4/27/51	HQ letter to CV	4	4	YES	Process
1689	4/28/51	NY Report to HQ	57		YES	by file 65-58236-1038

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1627	4/13/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1628	4/13/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1629	4/13/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1630	4/13/51	No exemptions were cited.
1631	4/13/51	No exemptions were cited.
1632	4/14/51	No exemptions were cited.
1633	4/14/51	No exemptions were cited.
1634	4/14/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1635	4/14/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1636	4/15/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1637	4/16/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1638	4/16/51	No exemptions were cited.
1639	4/16/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
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1644	4/17/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1645	4/17/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1646	4/13/51	No exemptions were cited.
1647	4/18/51	No exemptions were cited.
1648	4/18/51	No exemptions were cited.
1649	4/18/51	No exemptions were cited.
1650	4/18/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1651	4/17/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1652	4/18/51	No exemptions were cited.
1653	4/19/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1654	4/19/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1655	4/19/51	No exemptions were cited.

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1659	4/20/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1660	4/16/51	No exemptions were cited.
1661	4/16/51	No exemptions were cited.
1662	4/17/51	No exemptions were cited.
1663	4/11/51	No exemptions were cited.
1664	4/19/51	No exemptions were cited.
1665	4/21/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1666	4/19/51	This report was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1667	4/20/51	No exemptions were cited.
1668	4/21/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1669	4/21/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.

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1670	4/23/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1671	4/23/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1672	undated	The serial 1672 was inadvertently skipped during seralizing.
1673	4/24/50	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1674	4/24/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1675	4/25/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1676	4/25/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1677	4/24/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1678	4/26/51	This teletype was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
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1685	4/26/51	No exemptions were cited.
1686	4/24/51	No exemptions were cited.
1687	4/26/51	No exemptions were cited.
1688	4/26/51	No exemptions were cited.
1688a	3/30/51	This letter was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.
1688b	4/27/51	No exemptions were cited.
1689	4/28/51	This report was previously processed as shown on the Inventory Worksheet.

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FBI DETROIT 4-13-51 1109 AM EST SB

SAC NEW YORK URGENT

JULIUS ROSENBERG, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R. REURTEL APRIL TWELVE LAST. DETROIT HAS PENDING SECURITY INVESTIGATION ON ANNE SHORE, WHO IS A K. F. OF THIS OFFICE. EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN CONDUCTED ON JERRY SHORE WHO IS ON SI. ADVISE WHETHER INVESTIGATION DESIRED BY YOU SHOULD BE REPORTED UNDER CURRENT SECURITY CASES, THE ROSENBERG CASE, OR WHETHER ESPIONAGE CASE SHOULD BE OPENED.

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W. F. Norton

New York 7, NY
April 13th, 1951

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WILLIAM PEARL, WA. ESPIONAGE R. PERJURY. RE BULET APRIL
SIXTH LAST CONCERNING NEPA PROJECT. ATTENTION CALLED TO
INFO OBTAINED FROM TARTAKOW SET FORTH IN NY LET APRIL
FIFTH LAST IN ROSENBERG CASE TO THE EFFECT THAT ROSENBERG
RECEIVED FROM PEARL MUCH VALUABLE INFORMATION INCLUDING
PLANS FOR USE OF NUCLEAR FISSION TO PROPEL AIRPLANE
ENGINES. ADDITIONAL EFFORTS BEING MADE TO OBTAIN FURTHER
INFORMATION THROUGH INFORMANT. CONCERNING INFORMATION
FROM ROSENBERG OF PHOTO OF PEARL, ROSENBERG AND BARR LOCATED
IN JOEL BARR'S PENTHOUSE. IT IS BELIEVED THIS REFERS TO
HOME OF JOEL BARR'S MOTHER MRS. REBECCAS BARR, TOP FLOOR,
TWO FOUR ONE WEST NINETY SEVENTH ST., NYC, WHICH IS PENTHOUSE
APARTMENT. CONCERNING POOR HEALTH OF REBECCA BARR REPORTED
TO BUREAU BY NY TEL JANUARY TWENTY SEVENTH LAST ENTITLED
JOEL BARR, ESPIONAGE R, RECENT INFO IS THAT MRS. BARR HAS
BEEN IN VERY POOR HEALTH AND UNABLE TO LEAVE PREMISES FOR
PAST SIX MONTHS. NYO CONTACTING HER PHYSICIAN TO ASCERTAIN
POSSIBLE SERIOUS EFFECTS OF PROPOSED VISIT BY AGENTS FOR PURPOSE
OF SEARCHING FOR ABOVE PHOTO. *Possibility of obtaining search warrant will be discussed with USA*
CLEVELAND ADVISED BY MAIL. BUREAU.
WILL BE ADVISED.

SCHMIDT

cc: Cleveland (65-2730)
cc: NY 65-15348 (Julius Rosenberg)
cc: NY 65-15392 (Joel Barr)
cc: SAC/PLB
65-15387

Photostat of Serial 116-1309

65-15348-1631

New York, New York

MEMO:

RE: JULIUS ROSENBERG
ESPIONAGE - R
NY 65-15348

On 4/13/1951 MAX ELITCHER advised the writer that he recalled HELEN SOBELL having a small wrist-watch with a thin, black band but said he had never observed it closely and did not know the make of this watch. He did not recall seeing HELEN SOBELL wear this watch often. He did not recall her watch having any diamond chips.

MAX ELITCHER then contacted his wife, HELENE, who recalled that HELEN SOBELL had a small wrist-watch. She had never observed it closely however, and was unable to furnish any particulars about it.

MAX and HELENE ELITCHER stated that they would give the matter additional consideration and advise this office if they recall any specific information.

VJC:RF
65-15348
cc 100-37158

VINCENT J. CAMILL, SA

65-15348-1632

FBI - NEW YORK
APR 14 1951
Wester

New York, New York

MEMO:

RE: JULIUS ROSENBERG,
ESPIONAGE - R
NY 65-15348

On 4/13/51 the writer with the cooperation of MR. THIEL, Floor manager of Willoughby's Camera Store, checked records of sales of used Leica cameras for the periods January 1, 1949 through May 30, 1950 and October 1945 through January 1947. The period covering January 1947 through December 31, 1948 was previously checked by SA M. CORCORAN.

No record was located of any purchase of such a camera by JULIUS ROSENBERG or any other of his known associates in Espionage activity.

The following items were noted however, and are set forth since they may have some possible relationship to ROSENBERG'S Espionage work.

1. On March 15, 1946 WILLOUGHBY'S sold Leica Model III B #321155 to ALEXANDER ZOUROV of Soviet Consulate, 7 E. 61st St., New York City. CT # A 8294. This appears on page of sale book dated March 1946.
2. On 6/26/1945 Leica Model F # 208034 and an eveready case was sold to Government Purchasing Commission of Soviet Union, Washington, D.C.. This item appears on page dated November 1944, Stock # 16288.
3. On 7/19/44 Leica G #287792 and an eveready case sold to D.E. CPRESSER of Cleveland, Ohio.. This appears on July 1944 page, stock # 15541.
4. On 1/12/1950 Leica III C #402338 and case sold to ALFRED PUHN, 40 Monroe St., New York. This item appears on December 1949 page.
5. Leica G #263030 and case stock #38241 sold to GILBERT GORDON, 815 Kensington Mall, Columbia University.
6. Leica C #426029 and case sold 8/8/1949 to JOHN C. ALEXANDRE, 1165 Baker Avenue, Schenectady, New York, This appears on page labelled July 1949.

ALEXANDER

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MEMO:
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7. Leica sold on 11/2/1949 to PAUL T. GRASS, 19334 Frazier Drive, (Rodney Drive) 16, Ohio.

8. On 11/28/1949 A.M. MIGLEY, 2036 E. 22nd St., Cleveland, Ohio, purchased Leica #463413.

9. On 3/3/45 JACK COOPER, 166 2nd Avenue, New York purchased Leica Model F #120508 (no case). This appears on February 1945 sheet.

10. On 3/7/46 A. ROSENBERG of Hewlett, New York, purchased Leica Model G #235973 and eveready case. Stock # 19725 appearing on February 1946 page.

VINCENT J. CAHILL, SA

4-13-51

Stanley C. Samuel, advertising manager, C. Leitz, Inc., checked his registration records re: Leica camera owners in an effort to locate Julius + Ethel Rosenberg with negative results.

Leo H. Crutcher

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
APRIL 16, 1951

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WILLIAM PERL, WAS; ESPIONAGE - R. REBUTEL FOURTEENTH INSTANT.
DAVID GREENGLASS ADVISED TODAY THAT JULIUS ROSENBERG TOLD HIM
OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY AIRPLANE ENGINE PROBABLY IN SEPTEMBER OR
OCTOBER NINETEEN FORTY-EIGHT, BUT POSSIBLY IN THE SPRING OF
THAT YEAR.

SCHEIDT .

CC: ✓ 65-15348
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JWL:EXM (6)
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16 April 1951

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

Attention of Mr Robert Granville

Gentlemen:

1. A detail has come to our attention which, by some remote chance, may be of interest to your organization. It is this: The "Register of Visitors" of the American Institute of Physics, 57 East Fifty-fifth Street, New York City, under the date of 5 February 1945, bears the signature of "J J Rosenberg - Fed Atomic Scientists."

2. We have borrowed the "Register of Visitors" of the American Institute of Physics from Mr Wallace Waterfall, Executive Secretary of the Institute, and intend to return it to him on 19 April 1951.

3. If your organization would like to examine the "Register of Visitors" we will be glad to exhibit it to you or your agent. The "Register of Visitors" bears the signatures of nine other individuals who visited the American Institute of Physics on 6 February 1945 and covers the period from 1 February 1945 to 8 April 1949.

Very truly yours,

Charles A Lea

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APR 17 1951	
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JAMES R. HUNT, JR.

Post Office Box 1294

Grand Central Station, New York 17, N. Y.

16 April 1951

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

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Very truly yours,

Charles A. Lea

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Obtained + cancelled

Let's get this

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F. B. I.	
APR 17 1951	
N. Y. C.	
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NEW YORK DIVISION
NEW YORK

ADDRESS REPLY TO
POST OFFICE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE
AND QUOTE E:T:K

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
INSPECTION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE

NEW YORK 1, N. Y.
April 13, 1951.

Mr. Edward Scheidt
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
607 U. S. Court House
New York 7, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 11, 1951 with which you transmitted a postal card addressed to "Hon. Judge Irvin R. Kaufman", bearing objectional writing.

As the card was mailed in Fargo, N. Dak., it is referred to the Post Office Inspector in Charge at Saint Paul, who has investigative jurisdiction over the office of mailing. Thank you for bringing the matter to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

6 *W*
A. E. Egerton
Inspector in Charge.

cc: HON. Irving H. Saypol.

65-15348-1446

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. ~~65-15348~~

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice



607 United States Court House
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

April 18th, 1951

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. BRAUNE:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this Office it is requested that information be furnished concerning toll calls charged to OL 4-2838 during the past six month period. This number is reported to be listed to SEYMOUR F. MARK
717 East 228th Street
Bronx, New York

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt
EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge

THS:TCM

65-15348-1649

NY File 65-15348

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
607 United States Court House
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

April 18th, 1951

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning

NY 3-4479

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt

EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge

WHS:TCW



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NY File 65-15348

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
607 United States Court House
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

April 18th, 1951

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning

OL 4-2838

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt

EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge

WES:TCM



65-15348-1649

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-5543**

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/18/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/27/51 4/3, 5, 9/51	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT L. SMELTZER
TITLE WILLIAM PERL, wa.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R PERJURY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

RALPH ULMER, NACA, recalls interviewing JULIUS ROSENBERG around 1940, relative to employment, although circumstances incidental thereto not remembered. ROSENBERG and SOBELL and their connection with PERL unknown to J. V. CROWLEY. BERNETTA PERL applied for passport March 1, 1951, for pleasure trip to Europe May 1951; same canceled March 7, 1951.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

RALPH ULMER, Budget Officer of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, advised that in 1940, his capacity was that of Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics and that sometime around 1940, he recalled having interviewed JULIUS ROSENBERG in the NACA Building in Washington, D. C. ROSENBERG at this time was interviewed relative to prospective employment with the organization. Mr. ULMER stated that he has no further recollection concerning the interview with ROSENBERG, the circumstances surrounding same, or what recommendation and the reason therefor he had made concerning ROSENBERG. He noted that he evidently had made an unfavorable recommendation in some regard, it having been recently called to his attention that Langley Field had failed to consider the employment of ROSENBERG due to "Mr. ULMER'S recommendation." ULMER stated that his office had attempted to locate any notes or correspondence concerning this matter, but had been unsuccessful.

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DETAILS Continued

Mr. JOHN T. CROWLEY, JR., Associate Director for Research, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, advised that he was formerly Chief of Research at Langley Field, having under his general supervision eight divisions. He stated that he recalled that WILLIAM PERL had for a period of approximately four years worked at Langley Field, as his name had come to CROWLEY'S attention in connection with reports and work being done. He further noted that he had seen PERL occasionally, but had had no close official or social association with him. Mr. CROWLEY further stated that after PERL went to Cleveland, he was even further removed from his supervision. Mr. CROWLEY had no comment to make concerning PERL'S character or loyalty, but stated that from his meager knowledge of PERL he had apparently done his work and had not been engaged in any questionable activities.

Mr. CROWLEY was not acquainted with MORTON SOBELL or JULIUS ROSENBERG other than through the publicity attendant to their recent trial. He noted that these individuals were unknown to him, that neither PERL nor anyone else had interceded on behalf of SOBELL or ROSENBERG in the matter of their securing employment with the NACA, and that PERL had never mentioned either name to CROWLEY, nor had CROWLEY ever seen these individuals in the company of PERL.

At the Passport Division of the State Department, the following information was obtained concerning HENRIETTA SAVIDGE PERL: She executed an application for a passport on March 1, 1951, at New York

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City, in which she reflected her marriage to WILLIAM PERL as of October 21, 1950. PERL'S birthdate was given as August 1, 1918, at New York City. The application reflected her intention to depart from New York, May 29, 1951, on the S. S. Volendam for a four months stay in France, Switzerland, Italy, (possibly England) for the purpose of pleasure. The affidavit of identifying witness was executed by WILLIAM PERL, husband, who had known the applicant personally for seven years. The application reflected HENRIETTA'S maiden name was HENRIETTA BOYD SAVIDGE, and her birthdate was March 3, 1918, at Indianapolis, Indiana. Her parents were listed as ALBERT CLINTON SAVIDGE and RUTH GEARHART SAVIDGE, the latter being deceased. The applicant's permanent residence address was noted to be 104 East 38th Street, New York City.

The file contained an undated letter, received March 7, 1951, in the Passport Division from HENRIETTA PERL stating that she wished to cancel her application for a passport as, "I will be unable to make the trip as planned." No passport was issued to HENRIETTA PERL and the application was canceled as of March 7, 1951, it being noted that a \$9 fee was returned to the applicant. According to the file, the applicant had not previously been issued any passport.

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Through the offices of Mr. ROBERT CARTWRIGHT and LAWRENCE DIXON, Office of Investigations, General Accounting Office, arrangements have been made to secure photostatic copies of all payroll checks issued to WILLIAM PERL by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

By letter dated March 28, 1951, to Mrs. RUTH SHIPLEY, Chief of the Passport Division, Department of State, it was requested that the Washington Field Office be notified immediately should HENRIETTA PERL make application for a passport.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will obtain from LAWRENCE K. DIXON, General Accounting Office, photostatic copies of subject's payroll checks at NACA when same are available.

AT BETHESDA, MARYLAND

Will interview FRED BRYANT, JR., 5011 Kentbury Drive, for information regarding his knowledge of WILLIAM PERL'S acquaintance with JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL.

Copies of instant report are being furnished for the information of offices indicated due to their interest in instant and allied investigations.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent ROBERT L. SMELTZER dated April 4, 1951, at Washington, D. C.
San Francisco teletype dated March 23, 1951.
New York teletypes dated March 26 and April 2, 1951.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
APRIL 19, 1951

BUREAU & NEWARK - URGENT

BERNARD GLADSTONE; IS R. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT HAS ADVISED THAT JULIUS ROSENBERG INTENDS TO PUBLISH A NEWSLETTER WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS AND HAS INDICATED THAT ONE BERNIE GLADSTONE, LIVING AT TWO EIGHT ST. AND THIRD AVE., NYC, WILL BE AFFILIATED WITH HIM AS A DISTRIBUTOR OF THIS PUBLICATION. BERNARD GLADSTONE, TWO HUNDRED EAST TWO SIX ST., NYC, BELIEVED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH BERNIE GLADSTONE. BERNARD GLADSTONE IS EMPLOYED BY EMERSON RADIO AND PHONOGRAPH CORP. IN THE PLANT LOCATED IN JERSEY CITY, NJ. NEWARK WILL REVIEW PERSONNEL RECORDS AT EMERSON RADIO AND PHONOGRAPH CORP., AND OBTAIN ALL AVAILABLE BACKGROUND AND PHOTO OF GLADSTONE IF AVAILABLE.

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Respectfully yours,

Arvid Goldman
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For attention.

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New York, New York

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MEMO:

Re: WILLIAM PERL, was.
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Rebutel 4/14/51, 5:36 P.M.

On 4/16/51 DAVID GREENGLASS advised he recalls that while standing by the milling machine at Pitt Machine Products Inc., probably in September or October 1948, but possibly in the spring of 1948, he was having a conversation with JULIUS ROSENBERG and one or two others. The others were either BERNARD GREENGLASS or MORRIS ISRAEL or both. During this conversation JULIUS ROSENBERG mentioned that the mathematics had been all worked out for the construction of an atomic energy airplane motor. DAVID later asked JULIUS, in private, how JULIUS knew about this, and JULIUS told him he had learned about it from one of his boys. DAVID then asked JULIUS about the possibility of the pilot receiving radiation burns. JULIUS said this problem had been solved by placing the pilot and passengers far away from the shielded power plant.

JOHN W. LEWIS, SA

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110-23 196th St.,
St. Albans 12, N.
April 11th, 1951

True Copy

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
United States Department of Justice,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This from "Life" on March 20th. At the trial Judge Kaufman asked the stenographers not to transcribe their notes on some parts of this testimony. But you can see that some body "Got to" somebody.'

If there is anything that the Russians do NOT know about the IMPROVED A. Bomb; all they have to do is read "Life" or Time or the other papers like "Newsweek; and they can get a fair idea how to bring their bombs more "Up to Date!"

Yours very truly,

/s/ Henry H. Barroll

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April 19, 1951

Mr. Henry F. Barroll
110-23 196th Street
St. Albans 12, New York

Dear Mr. Barroll:

Your letter dated April 11, 1951, with enclosures, has been received.

I appreciate the interest which prompted you to bring your observations to my attention. I thought you might like to know that we have an office located at 607 U. S. Court House, Foley Square, New York 7, New York, and whenever you come into possession of additional data which you believe to be of value to the FBI please feel free to contact our representatives there.

Enclosed is some material I thought you might like to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

cc - New York, with copy of incoming.

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REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/12/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/12/51	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT L. SMELTZER RLS:nlm
TITLE WILLIAM PERL, wa.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R - PERJURY	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: FRED BRYANT shared apartment with subject Hampton, Virginia, summer of 1939. No knowledge of SOBELL or ROSENBERG in connection with PERL.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. FRED E. BRYANT was interviewed at David Taylor Model Basin, where he is presently employed, and advised that for approximately three or four months during the summer of 1939 he had shared an apartment with ARTHUR TIFFORD and WILLIAM PERL in Hampton, Virginia. He recalled the address as approximately 245 Newport News Avenue.

BRYANT stated that he met TIFFORD and PERL casually at Langley Field, and also had occasion to eat with them and other employees of the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics at one of the few restaurants in Hampton, Virginia. During the course of general conversation, it was ascertained that all three of them were seeking an apartment. Consequently it was decided that it would be to their mutual advantage to procure one together.

BRYANT was of the opinion that TIFFORD, whom he believed to have been from New York, and subject had slightly more in common than he had, due possibly to the fact that both

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were from New York. He advised that he had very little social contact with subject, that they were employed in different divisions at Langley Field, and that most of PERL's spare time which was spent in the apartment seemed to be taken up with studying.

BRYANT advised that he, himself, had been transferred to Washington, D. C. in the fall of 1939. Since that time he has had no contact or correspondence with subject. Mr. BRYANT stated that even in retrospect, he could not recall any actions or conversations on the subject's part which would indicate that his loyalty was questionable, or that he was at the time engaged in any activities of a subversive or questionable nature.

BRYANT had no knowledge of JULIUS ROSENBERG or MORTON SOBELL, other than that which came to his attention during their recent trial on charges of espionage; he had never seen either of these individuals with PERL or at Langley Field, and cannot recall PERL ever alluding to them in any way.

BRYANT knew of no visitors or contacts which PERL had at their apartment.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will obtain and forward to New York photo-
static copies of payroll checks for WILLIAM
PERL at the National Advisory Committee on
Aeronautics when same are obtained from the
General Accounting Office.

REFERENCE: Cincinnati teletype dated March 23, 1951

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IRS:AU

April 26, 1951.

Honorable William A. Carroll,
United States Marshal,
United States Courthouse,
Foley Square,
New York 7, N.Y.

Re: United States v. Rosenberg, et al.

Dear Mr. Carroll:

The Clerk of the United States District Court
has forwarded to me the attached letter from Nottingham,
England, addressed as follows:

"TO PRISONER
HORTON SOBELL
(AT THE COURT OF THE SPY RING)
NEW YORK AMERICA"

Mr. Connell, in an accompanying letter, states that the
postman apparently delivered it to his office for want of
an address.

Will you please cause the letter to be delivered
to Sobell in accordance with prison regulations.

Very truly yours,

IRS
IRVING H. SAYPOL
United States Attorney.

- F. B. I.

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N. Y. C.

Enclosure.

Copy to FBI Agt John Harrington.

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New York, New York
April 26, 1951

MEMO FOR SA GRANVILLE

Re: KNICKERBOCKER VILLAGE

ROY COHN, AUSA, on April 25, 1951 brought in and showed me a letter he had received from one AARON RABINOWITZ, 551 Fifth Avenue. COHN advised that RABINOWITZ is the owner of Knickerbocker Village and that he is a very high type gentleman, who is completely anti-Communist. RABINOWITZ feels that there are many, and he stated several hundred, Communists or Communist sympathizers in Knickerbocker Village, who are known to himself and to his manager, one Mr. MURRAY. He would like to see somebody about this matter. He says that he has written a letter to Mr. DONEGAN, after he served on the Grand Jury, but that nothing has happened.

RABINOWITZ may be laboring under the impression that perhaps we could assign an agent to Knickerbocker Village, which, of course, we cannot do. However, during the course of the ROSENBERG investigation agents on your squad have had occasion to do some checking on people living in Knickerbocker Village. You fellows also know the area and the particular problem, and the case that has highlighted Knickerbocker Village.

In view of the prominence of RABINOWITZ, I would like to have an agent call RABINOWITZ and make an appointment to go see him in an effort to obtain whatever information he has.

WILLIAM M. WHELAN
ASAC

WMW:MRW

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NEW YORK

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REPORT MADE AT: LOS ANGELES	DATE: 2/25/51 MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/19/51	REPORT MADE BY: ARTHUR C. WITTENBURG
TITLE: WILLIAM PERL, WAS.		CHARACTER OF CASE: ESPionage - R	
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Sources at Calif. Institute of Technology advise that subject's first known correspondence was in 11/45 re admission. While at Cal Tech was in Physics Dept., had no apparent dealings with Guggenheim Laboratory. Sources at Cal Tech Jet Propulsion Laboratory advise laboratory had nothing to do with XP-81 and subject unknown to them by correspondence. Official at Aero Jet Engineering Co. says that corp. had no dealings re XP-81 nor any correspondence with subject. JOHN W. PARSONS states does not know subject, recalls no correspondence with him.

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DETAILS:

On April 9, 1951, Mrs. ELIZABETH HANES, Assistant to the Registrar, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, advised that an examination of her records reflected that there was contained therein a graduate student file on the subject. Examination of this file reflected that the first correspondence contained therein was in November, 1945. At this time the subject addressed a communication to the Institute in which he made application for enrollment there as a graduate student. Examination of the material contained in the subject's file in addition to the aforementioned letter reflected that he gave no indication that he was previously acquainted with anyone on the Institute campus.

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Mrs. HANES, likewise, advised that the subject's course of study reflected that his time spent on the campus was in the Physics Department, which is physically somewhat separated from the Guggenheim Laboratory, which houses the Aeronautical Department. She advised further that ordinarily graduate students from the Physics Department would not be acquainted with studies conducted at the laboratory.

Doctor CLARK B. MILLIKAN, Professor of Aeronautics, Director of the Guggenheim Laboratory and the Cooperative Wind Tunnel, advised on April 12, 1951 that he had been Acting Director of the Guggenheim Laboratory and Cooperative Wind Tunnel during the entire war-time period and for a year or so thereafter before he was made permanent head of these two campus facilities.

He said that during this time, in his capacity as Acting Director, he was reasonably conversant with all of the research being conducted and individuals who visited the Guggenheim Laboratory and Cooperative Wind Tunnel. MILLIKAN stated that when the subject's case received considerable publicity in local papers recently, that he had given the matter much thought but had not been able to recall that he had ever met the subject, nor had he known of any instance where he visited or did any work in either the Guggenheim Laboratory or the Cooperative Wind Tunnel.

MILLIKAN, likewise, stated that he could recall no correspondence with the subject on any matter, and after a check of his files stated that his files, likewise, failed to reflect any such correspondence.

On April 12, 1951 VALDEMAR C. LARSON, JR., Administrator, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology, advised as follows:

During the war-time period the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, which was then commonly known as GALCIT, was concerned with considerable research in the field of Rocket Propulsion. He said, however, that this type of research was such that it had no particular application to Jet Propulsion, rather it concerned itself more in the field of Rocket Missiles.

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LARSON, after a check of his central files, advised that the Jet Propulsion Laboratory had no dealings with Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Company concerning the development of the XP-81. He, likewise, advised that these files reflected no correspondence on any subject with PARR.

On April 12, 1951 ED BEEHAN, Secretary of the Aero Jet Engineering Company, Azusa, California, was interviewed at which time he related the following facts:

BEEHAN explained that the Aero Jet Engineering Company was set up to some extent at least to produce pilot models which were developed at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory of the California Institute of Technology, then known as CALTECH. He went on to state that actually Aero Jet Engineering Company, during the pertinent period, produced only two types of products which had jet propulsion applications. These he described as special type of rockets which were used on pursuit ships to give them extra bursts of speed if needed. The other type, and perhaps the best known, is JATO.

This latter name is an abbreviation for Jet Assist Takeoff for Aircraft. BEEHAN described this as a system of rockets that assists heavily loaded airplanes in takeoff and thereby reduces the takeoff run considerably.

He explained that seldom, if ever, was the Aero Jet Engineering Company in possession of complete sets of plans for any aircraft, although on occasions they did have occasion to do so. With particular regard to the plans of the XP-81, developed at Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Company, he said he was positive that Aero Jet Engineering Company had never been furnished with the plans and specifications of this ship. BEEHAN, likewise, advised after a search of his files that the company had no correspondence with the subject of this case with regard to the XP-81 or any other matter.

JOHN W. PARSONS was interviewed by reporting agent on April 12, 1951, at which time he was questioned as to whether he knew the subject of this case. PARSONS stated that the name meant nothing to him, and after viewing a photograph of the subject stated he was positive he had never met him.

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PARSONS advised that while he was associated with the Aero Jet Engineering Company, he was in correspondence with numerous individuals concerning JATO but that to the best of his recollection he had no such correspondence with the subject of this case.

PARSONS advised that he was generally familiar with XP-81 as a result of his having read of it in technical journals, and that he was certain he had no occasion to review the plans and specifications thereof during the time he was associated with Aero Jet Engineering Company. PARSONS added that he seldom, if ever, saw the plans and specifications of experimental aircraft in that he spent his time solely on the development of JATO, which is considered to be, for the most part, his own invention.

At the time Doctor MILLIKAN supplied the information set forth elsewhere in this report, he advised that in early 1942 Doctor THEODORE VON KARMAN was placed on leave of absence from the Institute and spent his full time as a consultant for the Air Force. He said it was at this time that he, MILLIKAN, was appointed Acting Director of the Guggenheim Laboratory and Cooperative Wind Tunnel. MILLIKAN added that after VON KARMAN was placed on a leave of absence by the Institute that he seldom, if ever, was at the laboratory. In instances when he did return he, MILLIKAN, worked rather closely with him while he was at the laboratory and he was, therefore, reasonably conversant with the individuals who contacted him. MILLIKAN stated that he has no recollection that VON KARMAN had any contact with the subject prior to the time that the subject became VON KARMAN's assistant, when the latter was acting as a visiting professor in the Physics Department at Columbia University.

At the time BEEHAN was interviewed, the results of which are set forth hereinbefore, he advised that he was familiar with the fact that the subject had acted in the capacity of an assistant to VON KARMAN while the latter was at Columbia University. He said, however, that he was frequently in contact with VON KARMAN during 1942 - 1945 in that he was one of the original founders of the Aero Jet Engineering Company. He advised that it had never come to his attention during this period that PERL and VON KARMAN were acquainted or had any contact.

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JOHN W. PARSONS, at the time he was interviewed, said that he had considerable contact with VON KARMAN in the early days of the development of rocket propulsion and more particular in the founding days of the Aero Jet Engineering Company. He advised during this time it had never come to his attention that PERI knew VON KARMAN or that these individuals had any contact whatsoever.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN

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Copies of this report are being furnished for the information of the designated offices due to their interest in this and allied investigations.

REFERENCE:

Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated 3/28/51;
Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, and New York
dated 4/12/51.

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK
CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS

The following resolution was submitted by the Department of New York C.W.V. Board of Officers at the Annual State Convention held in Auburn, N. Y., April 5, 6, 7 and 8, 1951.

WHEREAS, the apprehension, trial and conviction of the spies in the recent A-Bomb incident was concluded by the diligent efforts of the F. B. I. Agents and the United States Attorney's of the Southern District of New York, and

WHEREAS United States Judge Irving Kaufman presided over a fair and impartial trial and

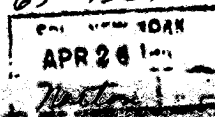
WHEREAS the defendants were afforded a fair trial by a jury, which returned a verdict of guilty on charges made against such defendants and now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the delegates of the Department of New York, Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America hereby indicate their vote of approval for the efficient and diligent manner the arrest, trial and conviction of the A-Bomb spies was accomplished by the F.B.I. Agents, the U.S. Attorney Irving Saypol and the manner in which the Hon. Irving Kaufman presided over the trial thereof, and be it further

RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of the F.B.I. in New York, the U.S. Attorney Irving Saypol and the Hon. Irving Kaufman.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL
ACTION: CARRIED AND ADOPTED.

William L. Nemcik
William L. Nemcik
Judge Advocate.



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April 24, 1951

Chief
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Foley Square
 New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

At the annual State Convention of this organization assembled in Auburn, N. Y., on April 5, 6, 7 and 8, 1951, the delegates thereat adopted the enclosed resolution which expresses the approval of this organization for the efforts you and the members of your organization expended in the arrest, trial and conviction of the A-Bomb spies.

Yours very sincerely

John A. Somma
 John A. Somma
 Adjutant

William L. Nemcik
 Judge Advocate

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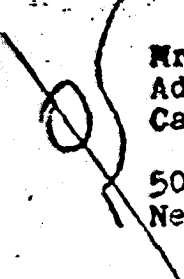
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I am enclosing copy of letter dated April 24, 1951, which this office today received from Mr. John A. Somma, Adjutant, Department of New York, Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America, 500 Park Avenue, New York, together with a copy of a resolution of commendation which was enclosed by Mr. Somma with his letter. I am also enclosing a copy of letter from this office to Mr. Somma in acknowledgment. It is suggested that a letter also be addressed over the Director's signature to Mr. Somma.

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April 26, 1951

 Mr. John A. Somma
Adjutant, Department of New York
Catholic War Veterans of the
United States of America
500 Park Avenue
New York 22, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Somma:

I want you to know of my deep appreciation for the expressions of confidence and approbation of the FBI, on the part of the New York Department, Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America, as expressed in the resolution adopted at the State Convention of your members in April 1951. It is very gratifying for us to receive such a fine commendation from an organization such as yours. I am calling this resolution to the attention of our Agents who handled the case in question, and I know that they too will be gratified at your action.

Sincerely yours,


EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge.

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SAC, Cleveland

April 27, 1951

Director, FBI

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You will recall that David Greenglass, confessed Soviet agent, testified in the recent New York espionage trial that, sometime during 1948, Julius Rosenberg told him he, Rosenberg, had the mathematics on the problem of atomic energy for airplanes which problem had just been completed by the scientists. At the time of a subsequent interview of Greenglass, it was learned that this statement was probably made to him by Rosenberg in September or October, 1948, but there was the possibility the information may have been received in the Spring of that year.

In addition, you are advised that Jerome Eugene Tartakow, a fellow prisoner with Rosenberg in the Federal House of Detention in New York City, has reported certain information which he claims to have received through his conversations with Rosenberg. According to Tartakow, Rosenberg recently advised him that Ferl had furnished him (Rosenberg) much valuable information, including the plans for the use of nuclear fission to propel airplanes. He also stated that Rosenberg told him Ferl was a brilliant man in the field of aerodynamics and that some of the material furnished to him (Rosenberg) by Ferl was "terrific."

As a result of the aforementioned statement by Greenglass, an inquiry has been made of AEC as to the exact nature of the information to which Rosenberg may have made reference in his conversation with Greenglass. As a result thereof, it was learned that the material undoubtedly pertained to the highly confidential NEPA (Nuclear Energy Propulsion of Aircraft) Project. It was further indicated that the mathematics pertaining to the project would undoubtedly refer to the mathematics of the power plant in the NEPA Project. According to AEC, the final report on the NEPA Project, which was known as the "Lexington Report" and was entitled "Nuclear Power Plant," was completed on September 30, 1950. It was learned that Chapter III of this report concerned "power plants" and that the mathematical

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Attachment

cc: New York (65-15387) (with attachment)
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analysis of a nuclear power plant appeared in a supplemental report entitled "Appendices to Chapter III - Power Plants, Nuclear-Powered Flight." The AEC has advised that all of the aforementioned reports pertaining to the NEPA Project were then and are now classified secret.

Pursuant to a request by the Bureau, the AEC is presently making a routine security check to determine the initial and original distribution that was made with respect to the "Lexington Report," as well as the present location of all copies of this report, including the copies of the appendices to Chapter III. For your information and assistance in connection with the hereinafter requested investigation, there is being attached hereto a copy of the letter which was received from AEC dated March 30, 1951, together with its various enclosures.

You will note in Appendix E of the reference AEC letter there appear the names of the technical personnel of the Lexington Project. This list contains the name of one Addison M. Rothrock of NACA, who was indicated as having been on loan to AEC. It will also be noted that Appendix G of this referenced communication indicates that, in July and August, 1949, Abe Silverstein and E. J. Manganiello of NACA, Cleveland, were consulted by Lexington Project personnel relative to the power plants in the NEPA Project.

Inasmuch as a previous inquiry by the Cleveland division at NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, Ohio, has reflected that Rothrock, Silverstein, and Manganiello were all employees at that laboratory during 1948, it would be of interest to determine exactly what information pertaining to the mathematics of the power plant with respect to the NEPA Project was available to the NACA Laboratory in Cleveland during this period, as well as the approximate dates when such material was available there.

To this end, the Washington Field division is requested to thoroughly interview Addison Rothrock, who was reported as having handled the liaison for NACA between Cleveland and Washington, D. C. It is also

requested that the Cleveland division similarly interview Dr. Abe Silverstein, who was the technical director of this program at NACA, Cleveland, and Eugene J. Manganiello, who was directly connected with the development of the program at that laboratory. During the course of these interviews, it should be specifically determined what reports as to the mathematics of the power plants pertaining to the NEPA Project were available, the approximate dates, and in whose custody such reports were maintained. Further, these persons should be questioned as to whether the appendix - to Chapter III of the Lexington Report was in the possession of the NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, either in rough draft form or as a finished report, and, if so, the date this report was available and in whose custody it was maintained. They should be directly interrogated as to the possibility of any such information pertaining to the NEPA or Lexington Projects being available to William Perl.

For the information of the Detroit division, it was ascertained at NACA, Cleveland, that Alfred R. Bobrowsky, a former employee of NACA, performed the analytical work on shielding and was also engaged in material studies for the project. Further, that his report on the method of computation for the shielding was distributed, after being reduced to report form. According to the Bureau's information, one of the principal drawbacks to the production of the plane involved in the NEPA Project was the excessive weight caused by the shielding surrounding the source of nuclear energy which, it might be noted, was apparently the phase of the work assigned to Bobrowsky. It has been pointed out to the Bureau that, in view thereof, such information would have been of considerable value to any person interested in the project, since it could avert unnecessary research and experimentation.

The Detroit division was previously authorized to interview Bobrowsky concerning William Perl by Bureau letter of January 15, 1951. This interview should immediately be conducted by experienced agents of that office, and full information should be obtained from him as to the nature of the work he performed on the NEPA Project, the identity of the

NACA employees who may have assisted him in the work, the types of the report or reports which he prepared and the approximate dates thereof, and the availability of such reports to other employees at NACA, particularly William Perl. During this interview, the extent of his association with Perl should be ascertained, as well as any information which he might have concerning the participation of or his discussion with Perl concerning the NEPA Project.

The Cleveland office should also ascertain further information as to the nature and exact dates of all reports known to have been submitted by Bobrowsky as a result of his research in the NEPA Project, together with any available information as to the possible access of Perl to such reports.

This matter should be given expeditious attention, in view of the imminence of the trial of Perl for perjury in SDNY, which is tentatively set for the early part of May, 1951.